Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A battery bolt-comprising:		
at least one battery cell;		
a subassembly attached to said cell, said subassembly having a planar surface;	ī	
a bolt integral to said subassembly, said bolt comprising a first portion; and		
a sealing portion, wherein the sealing portion is tapered and wherein said sealing	portion	
contacts said planar surface of said subassembly. assists in substantially sealing a mold d	l uring a	
molding operation.		
2. (Currently Amended) The battery bolt of claim 1, wherein said first portion comp	rises a	
head portion and said battery-bolt further comprises a washer portion, wherein said wash	ier	
portion includes radial projections.		
3. (Currently Amended) The battery bolt-of claim 2, wherein said washer portion is	integral	
with said battery bolt .		
4. (Currently Amended) The battery bolt-of claim 2, wherein said radial projections	are	
semi-circular.		

5. (Currently Amended)	The battery bolt-of claim 2, wherein the ratio of the height of the
head portion to the thickness	of the washer portion is between 1.0 to 3.0.

- 6. (Currently Amended) The battery bolt of claim 5, wherein the ratio of the height of the head portion to the thickness of the washer portion is 1.24.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The battery bolt-of claim 1, wherein the battery bolt further comprises a non-threaded portion and a threaded portion, wherein said non-threaded portion is substantially encased in said subassembly-
- 8. (Currently Amended) A battery bolt-comprising; in order:

 a battery cell

 a subassembly attached to said cell, said subassembly having a planar surface;

 a bolt integral to said subassembly, said bolt comprising a head portion; a washer portion; a sealing portion; and a threaded portion, wherein the sealing portion is tapered and wherein said sealing portion assists in substantially sealing a mold during a molding operation contacts said planar surface of said subassembly.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The battery bolt-of claim 8, wherein said washer portion is integral with said battery bolt.
- 10. (Currently Amended) The battery bolt-of claim, 8 wherein said washer portion contains radial projections.

- 11. (Currently Amended) The battery bolt-of claim 10, wherein said radial projections are semi-circular.
- 12. (Currently Amended) The battery bolt-of claim 8, wherein the ratio of the height of the head portion to the thickness of the washer portion is between 1.0 to 3.0.
- 13. (Currently Amended) The battery bolt of claim 12, wherein the ratio of the height of the head portion to the thickness of the washer portion is 1.24.
- 14. (Currently Amended) The battery bolt-of claim 8, wherein the battery-bolt further comprises a non-threaded portion substantially encased in said subassembly.
- 15. (Withdrawn) A method of insert molding a battery bolt comprising:

providing a battery bolt having a first portion and a sealing portion, wherein the sealing portion is tapered;

placing said first portion in a mold cavity;

substantially sealing a portion of the mold cavity with said sealing portion; and injecting lead into said mold cavity to form a lead subassembly, wherein said lead is substantially retained in said mold cavity in part by said sealing portion.

- 16. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 15, wherein said first portion is a head portion.
- 17. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 15, wherein said first portion is a washer portion.

- 18. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 15, wherein said bolt further comprises a threaded portion that is located outside of said mold cavity.
- 19. (New) The battery of claim1, wherein said subassembly comprises lead.
- 20. (New) The battery of claim 1, wherein said planar surface is on a top surface of said subassembly and is flat.
- 21. (New) The battery of claim8, wherein said subassembly comprises lead.
- 22. (New) The battery of claim 8, wherein said planar surface is on a top surface of said subassembly and is flat.